

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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| First Named Inventor | Usuka <i>et al.</i> |
| Group Art Unit | 1631 |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCE's (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☒ Previously submitted:
- i. ☒ Applicants request non-entry of the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 6, 2008
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed _____
 - iii. ☒ Other: Notice of Appeal filed December 8, 2008 (the Monday following December 6, 2008) with Petition for Extension of Time.
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

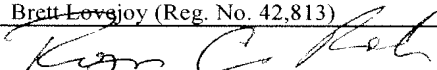
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months.
(Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013:
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e.), estimated to be \$810.00 (order no. 800935-999015)
 - ii. ☐ Extension of time fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17, the request for which is being made herewith.
 - iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED

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| Name (Print/Type) | Roger C. Rich For: Brett Lovejoy (Reg. No. 42,813) | Registration No | 54,398 |
| Signature |  | Date | February 6, 2009 |

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